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Jo Anne Wessinger-Hill, Hearing Officer Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

In Re: Docket No. 2019-362-A

Rulemaking for the Public Service Commission to Create a New Regulation 103-811.5 Role of the Qualified Independent Third-Party Consultant and Expert and the Commissioners' Reliance on the Contents of the Qualified Independent Third-Party Consultant and Expert's Report

Dear Ms. Boyd,

I am counsel of record for the South Carolina Coastal Conservation League and the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy in the above-captioned proceeding. CCL and SACE submitted comments on February 13, 2020, stating that the Commission reasonably interpreted and applied Act 62 as to the role of the independent, qualified expert in the recent avoided cost proceedings, Docket Nos. 2019-184-E, 2019-185-E, and 2019-186-E. SACE and CCL believe that the language in Proposed Regulation 103-811.5 noticed on August 14, 2020 reflects that reasonable approach.

SACE and CCL have not filed any additional comments in this proceeding and do not intend to provide any comments at the hearing. Accordingly, I would respectfully request to be excused from participating in the virtual hearing scheduled for November 4, 2020 in this proceeding.

Please contact me if you have any questions concerning this request.

Respectfully,

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This the 30th day of October, 2020.

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